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February 14, 2020

Thank you for subscribing to my e-newsletter. Below you will find updates from federal, state and local agencies. Should you have any questions about the information below, please do not hesitate to contact us using the contact details listed at the end of this newsletter.

As many of you are already aware, next Thursday the SJRA will hold the second public meeting regarding the seasonal lowering of Lake Conroe. This is an extremely important issue for our district, as it directly relates to flood control during the next big natural weather event. There is more information below in the newsletter, but please attend and encourage your neighbors to attend as well!

Lastly, our offices will be closed on Monday, February 17th, 2020 in observance of President's Day. Enjoy a wonderful and safe weekend!

Should you have questions regarding anything in this newsletter, please feel free to contact us directly using the information provided at the bottom of this email.

Sincerely,





# February 2020 Calendar

Download my February 2020 calendar by clicking the link below. This month is full of events in and around Texas that could be fun or useful to you and your family! This new format allows you to save the document for printing or sending to your family members.

Keep watch for these updated calendars at the beginning of each month. Important local and legislative dates and events will be posted here.

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THE CALENDAR!



## Recover Lake Houston: Action Request



# Recover Lake Houston - Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce

Help us protect the Lake Houston Area from future flooding. We are launching a letter-writing campaign to the San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) Board of Directors requesting their approval of temporary and seasonal lowering of Lake Conroe in 2020.

### Read more

www.lakehouston.org

## <u>Transportation Update</u>

Three Coach buses with limited capacity have been generously donated by an anonymous donor for those registrants who are unable to provide their own transportation to and from the meeting. All buses will depart and return to Lone Star College-Kingwood.

Parking lot information will be sent to all registered bus passengers prior to Thursday, February 20th. You Must Register to Reserve Your Spot!

Bus A Boarding Time: 3:00 PM - Bus A Departure Time: 3:30 PM Bus B Boarding Time: 3:00 PM - Bus B Departure Time: 3:30 PM Bus C Boarding Time: 4:00 PM - Bus C Departure Time: 4:30 PM

Reserve Your Seat Here

## Lives Over Levels T-shirts Now Available

Lives Over Levels t-shirts are currently available at the Chamber! Pick up your t-shirt if you plan to attend the SJRA Board Special Meeting on February 20. The San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors will hold a special meeting on February 20 to hear public comment on the temporary flood mitigation strategy

of lowering Lake Conroe on a seasonal basis.

# **Updates from Austin**

Gov. Abbott Extendeds the Disaster Declaration for Texas Counties Affected by Hurricane Harvey



Office of the Texas Governor | Greg Abbott

### Governor Abbott Extended The Disaster Declaration In...

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME: WHEREAS, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on August 23, 2017, certifying that Hurricane Harvey posed a threat of imminent disaster for Aransas, Austin, Bee,...

Read more gov.texas.gov

## **Updates From the District**

SJRA to Hold Second Special Meeting to Discuss Seasonal Lowering of Lake Conroe



The San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) Board of Directors will hold one more special meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup> to hear public comment on the temporary flood mitigation strategy of lowering Lake Conroe on a seasonal basis.

The lowering of Lake Conroe one foot in the spring and two feet in the fall is intended to provide flood mitigation benefits for downstream residents by increasing capacity to catch rainfall and runoff in the lake. The strategy is reviewed annually and is currently authorized by both the SJRA Board of Directors and the City of Houston as the two entities each own water rights in Lake Conroe.

The special meetings are exclusively for addressing the lake lowering strategy. No other items are planned for the special meeting agendas, and the board does not intend to consider the lake lowering strategy at its regular board meeting in February.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION

Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 6pm at Lone Star Convention and Expo Center, 9055 Airport Road, Conroe, Texas 77303. Doors will open AFTER 4:30pm due to scheduling availability at the Lone Star Convention Center.

www.sjra.net

# **Harris County Flood Control District: Drainage Network Repairs**



### **Hurricane Harvey Recovery Program** Drainage Network Repairs - Z100-00-00-X299

Burrisane Harvey resulted in extensive and ungrecodented damage to Harris County's drainage infrastructure. As part of a countywide post-Harvey assessment, more than 1,200 individual damage sites were verified and prioritized. This list includes sinkholes, bank erosion, failed concrete, collapsed outfall piges and other damage. The Hood Control District has used local hands to leverage requests for more than \$54 million in grants for Harvey soom repairs from the Natural Resources Conservation Service and Federal Emragency Management Agency, Several of these drainage network repair projects are happening in your area.

In an effort to keep you informed about the Harris County Flood Control Destrict's continuing maintenance in the San lacinto River watershed, we want to notify you of upcoming storm repair projects. In winter 2009, the Flood Control Destrict began construction in your area on major maintenance projects that will repair various types of channel failures along six different project sixth within the San Jackins River webenethed Portions of the destrifted channels are considered to be in serious failure and these repairs are necessary to prevent further impact to the channels.

In order to restore channel conveyance capacity to its original design, excavation may widen some channel sections beyond their current condition.

### Project areas that fall under Z100-00-00-X299 include but are not limited to:

G103-38-00-X020 consists of repairs at three locations:

Site 5416 consists of slope failure repair beginning approximately 1900 feet north of Walnut Lane

Site 5682 consists of erosion repair and rebuilding side slopes beginning approximately 500 feet northwest of Deer Ridge Estates Boulevard

G103-38-01-X010 consists of repairs at one location:

Site 3228 consists of slope erosion repeir including rebuilding side slopes beginning approximately 70 feet west of Chestnut Ridge Road

Oralnage Network Repairs Project ID# 2100-00-00-4299 Contractor - Amoustone Contracting, LLC Contract Amount - \$2,828,525.00

### G103-41-00-X008 consists of repairs at two location

Site 5622 consists of slope erosion repair, channel repair, and rebuilding side slopes beginning approximately 1350 feet south of Kingwood Drive

Sibs 5622A consists of channel repeir, slope repeir, and rebuilding side slopes beginning approximately 1600 feet south of Kingwood Drive

# UH College of Medicine Receives Accreditation, First Class Starts in July



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# Cody Stephens Foundation Hops for Hearts







## **Hops for Hearts**

Eventbrite - The Cody Stephens Foundation presents Hops for Hearts - Saturday, February 29, 2020 at Eureka Heights Brew Co, Houston, TX. Find event and ticket information.

### Read more

www.eventbrite.com

## **Constituent Resources**

## Need Assistance?

Our office is always ready to assist you. Call or email us and we will do our best to help. Many State Agencies also have hotlines or citizen assistance offices to assist you. That contact information is available at this link, in alphabetical order:

http://www.lrl.texas.gov/genInfo/stateAgencies.cfm

# Live Updates

All of the relevant information our office has gathered during the week will be posted to our Facebook page. By "liking" us, you will stay up-to-date about important matters across the state that affect you and your family. Click below to find our page.



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